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5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
6 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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9 Plaintiff(s),

NO. CV _____ LGB ()

10 v.

11 **STANDING ORDER**

12 Defendant(s).
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15 **READ THIS ORDER CAREFULLY. IT CONTROLS THE CASE UNLESS**
16 **OTHERWISE ORDERED BY THE COURT.**

17 In an effort to provide the parties with consistent guidelines
18 regarding their motion practice and to manage the Court's docket in
19 conjunction with the Local Rules, the Court hereby adopts the
20 following standing order concerning motion practice before the
21 Court other than motions in limine:

22 1) All motion hearing dates shall be cleared and assigned by the
23 Courtroom Deputy, Catherine Jeang, BEFORE the motion is filed with
24 the Clerk's office. The Courtroom Deputy will assign a hearing date
25 six weeks after the date upon which counsel files the opening brief
26 absent compelling circumstances. Failure to read or comply with
27 this order is not a "compelling circumstance." Catherine Jeang may
28 be reached at (213) 894-3700. The Court retains discretion to alter

1 hearing dates in appropriate circumstances.

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3 2) **Failure to clear a hearing date with the Courtroom Deputy will**
4 **likely result in the Court striking the motion.**

5 3) The Court SETS the following briefing schedule for all
6 motions:

7 a) Motions shall be filed no later than **six** weeks before the
8 scheduled hearing date. Courtesy copies shall be provided to
9 chambers;

10 b) Oppositions shall be filed no later than **five** weeks before the
11 scheduled hearing date. Courtesy copies shall be provided to
12 chambers; and

13 c) Replies shall be filed no later than **four** weeks before
14 the scheduled hearing date. Courtesy copies shall be provided to
15 chambers.

16 4) Wherever possible, parties shall confer among themselves to
17 consolidate related motions and/or schedule related motions for the
18 same hearing date. The parties are reminded that they must comply
19 with the requirements of Local Rule 7-3 ("Conference of Counsel
20 Prior to Filing Motions").

21 5) The above schedule represents the Court's minimum expectations
22 regarding motions. Parties and counsel are encouraged to agree on
23 a mutually acceptable briefing schedule among themselves, taking
24 into account these requirements in light of the complexity of any
25 given motion.

26 6) Ex parte applications are disfavored in the absence of a **true**
27 **emergency**. Parties filing such applications shall include a short
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1 statement explaining why they believe their concerns require
2 extraordinary attention. Such a statement shall indicate what
3 attempts were made to reach agreement with other parties concerning
4 the issue(s) and why the parties were unable to come to an
5 agreement. Stipulations are highly encouraged, whenever possible.

6 7) Opposing parties have 24 hours from the filing of such ex
7 parte applications within which to respond or oppose the ex parte
8 request. Responding parties must inform the Courtroom Deputy by
9 telephone of their position.

10 8) Abuse of the ex parte application process may result in
11 sanctions.

12 9) Plaintiff(s) shall serve a copy of this standing order on
13 defendant(s).

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16 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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18 Dated: _____

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21 **LOURDES G. BAIRD**
22 **United States District Judge**
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